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Joint Committee on Transportation  
900 Court Street NE, Room 453  
Salem, Oregon 87301

RE: Support for House Bill 4103

Co-Chairs Beyer and McKeown and Members of the Committee

This letter indicates City of Bend support for HB4103 bill allowing Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to delegate speed setting to Cities. The City of Bend frequently hears from citizens concerned about appropriate street speeds and the ability of speed limits to be expeditiously modified when conditions change.

As one of the City's traffic engineers working on updating our speed limits so speed are more consistent with street context, the City Manager asked me to relay our support for this bill. Having the ability to set speeds could allow cities to be more responsive to rapid development changes, apply more detailed knowledge of local conditions, and still follow a defined engineering evaluation process.

Sincerely,

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